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RE: MUR 5506
Betty Caster for Senate
Charles L. Lester, as treasurer

Dear Mr. Kleinfeld:

This is in response to your letter dated August 17, 2004, which we received on August 18, 2004, requesting an extension until September 21, 2004, to respond to the complaint filed in the above-noted matter. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, the Office of General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on September 21, 2004.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alva E. Smith".

Alva E. Smith, Paralegal
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